



May 26, 1958

Mr. S. Everett Gleason  
Executive Office of the President  
National Security Council  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ev:

I have been delighted to write a letter to the Cosmos Club on behalf of Joe Johnson. This is the first time I have ever written a club of which I did not have the honor of being a member, but I take it from you that this is in order.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

P.S. I enclose a copy of my letter. I thought a little flattery would not hurt.

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Admissions Committee  
The Cosmos Club  
2121 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Although I do not have the honor of being a member of the Cosmos Club, I have been told that it is not improper for me to write in support of the application for non-resident membership in the Club of Mr. Joseph E. Johnson, President of the Carnegie Endowment.

Mr. Johnson is a very old friend, a man whom I greatly admire and who, in my opinion, has all of the qualifications for membership in any club, particularly one whose membership contains such a distinguished list of men of accomplishment and learning as does your club. I trust it is not impertinent of me to recommend his name for your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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THE PRESIDENT  
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON

April 29, 1958

PERSONAL

Dear Allen:

I am proposing Joseph E. Johnson, President of the Carnegie Endowment, for non-resident membership in the Cosmos Club in Washington. Joe thought that you might be willing to write a few lines in support of his qualifications to be a member of the Club. I understand, of course, that you are not yourself a member but the Admissions Committee of the Cosmos Club does like to have distinguished non-members of the Club write in behalf of deserving candidates.

I am reluctant to impose on your time and I think quite literally two or three lines from you would be all that was required.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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S. EVERETT GLEASON

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